in developing a paper, 'Sunlit Twist Wrap Bond' which has been found satisfactory. The Mill wanted to know the bulk demand for working out its cost. Requisite data has since been supplied on the basis of the estimate available with this Department viz. 10,000 metric tons per annum. Reply from the Mill is awaited.

Resolution XIII: Resolved that appropriate authorities be moved to direct their attention to the archives of the Municipal Corporations and other Local Bodies, who should be asked to ensure their preservation in properly organised Record Rooms to be looked after by suitable staff. Further resolved that these records be regularly appraised and proper lists or catalogues be prepared of the permanent records, which should be made available for research to bonafide scholars.

Andhra Pradesh: The matter has been taken up with the Local Administration and Social Welfare Department of this Government for necessary action.

Jammu & Kashmir: The matter has been referred to the authorities concerned.

Sikkim: As the State Archives has been recently set up and is being organized, the resolution is still under consideration of the Government.

IV: Resolutions of the 43rd Session held at Lucknow, 28th-29th January, 1975.

Resolution II: The Commission resolves that the Government of India be requested to treat the National Archives of India Annexe as a functional building and to give top priority to its construction, which is absolutely essential for the National Archives of India to effectively discharge its responsibilities, and particularly to implement the Archival Policy Resolution which requires it to accept custody of billions of the non-current public records lying scattered and neglected in the various Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.

National Archives of India: The design was approved and Government's sanction was also issued in October 1977. But the construction has not yet started. Certain difficulties encountered have now been overcome, and the work is expected to start soon.

Resolution III: The Commission is greatly perturbed over the reported large scale destruction of old public records in several States, notwithstanding the repeated recommendations of the Commission (Vide Resolution No.II of 1925, Resolution No.VII of 1942, Resolution No.V of 1943, Resolution VI of 1951) and resolves that a Sub-Committee consisting of five Members of the Commission be constituted to investigate and report to the Standing Committee, within six months, on the following:

(a) The extent to which the above resolutions are being implemented;

(b) The period and the nature of records destroyed during the last two years;

(c) The qualifications and suitability of the staff engaged on appraisal of old records; and

(d) The steps which can be taken immediately to ensure the preservation of records of permanent value.

2. The Commission also recommends to the State Governments that no pre-1947 records be destroyed till the said Committee has submitted its report.

National Archives of India: Comments of the Indian Historical Records Commission and views of Director of Archives on the recommendations made by the Record Management Committee were forwarded to the Government of India in the Department of Culture. The decision of the Government is awaited.